

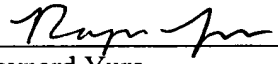
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REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is before a first action on the merits and cancels claims 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 31. Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment claims in the application will be Claims 1-4, 11-24, and 29-30.

Applicants respectfully contend that the application is allowable and a favorable response from the Examiner is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number provided below if such would advance prosecution of the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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